

Councilman Edwards Recognizes Students' Organic Garden

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Islip, NY – Councilman John Edwards recently visited with Mr. Michael Blackford's 5th-Grade class at Timber Point Elementary School in East Islip to view their organic garden.

Mr. Blackford's class worked with students from East Islip High School's Environment Green Curriculum program to plant the garden as part of the Disney Earth Challenge.

Students learned how organic farms are beneficial to the environment and yield healthier crops by eliminating the use of pesticides and other chemicals. The students will donate all of the harvested crops to a local inn or soup kitchen.

Pictured (back row, center, left to right) are Israel Malinowitzer, Director of East Islip High School's Career Academy Environment Green Curriculum; Councilman Edwards; and Michael Blackford, teacher at Timber Point.